



-bringing the healing power of music to children battling cancer.

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***1st Annual Strike Out Childhood Cancer Night
at Durham Bulls August 8 Game to Benefit Rock Against Cancer***

***Awareness Night Will Bring Triangle Community Together
to Celebrate Life, Music and Hope***

CHAPEL HILL, NC—Rock Against Cancer (RAC) (www.rockagaincancer.org), an organization dedicated to providing the healing power of music to pediatric cancer patients nationwide, is reaching out to the Triangle area to support music therapy programs at the North Carolina and Duke Children's Hospitals in an awareness night with the Durham Bulls. The 1st Annual Strike Out Childhood Cancer Night will be held Saturday, August 8, during the Bulls game against the Syracuse Chiefs.

"The 1st Annual Strike Out Childhood Cancer Night is an important event as it will galvanize the public and many area families and friends with children and teenagers coping with cancer treatment," said RAC Founder & Executive Director Lisa White, Ph.D. "Studies show music helps children deal with the anxiety, nausea and pain that accompanies chemotherapy and long-term hospital stays. This will be a special night for celebrating life, music and hope while enjoying one of our favorite pastimes, baseball."

In addition to the baseball game, starting at 7:05 p.m., RAC and other local and national childhood cancer organizations will have a pre-game informational fair, special jerseys and

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silent auction. True to Rock Against Cancer's philosophy, a live concert with Chapel Hill-based and reggae-influenced rock band, The High & Mighties (www.thehighandmighties.com), will follow the post-game fireworks.

Tickets for the game and concert can be ordered through the Durham Bulls' box office by calling 919-956-BULL or by visiting the Durham Bulls' Web site at www.durhambulls.com. The Bulls will donate a portion of the sales from this package to RAC.

Dr. White founded RAC in 2000 after discovering music helped her son Gabe, a childhood leukemia survivor, now 15 years of age, deal with long bouts of chemotherapy in Salt Lake City, UT. RAC works through the Children's Oncology Group at 11 of the nation's leading children's hospitals to provide Board Certified Music Therapists, digital recording studios and, for many, an opportunity to meet and see leading musicians and bands.

In late June, RAC made it possible for Triangle teens being treated at N.C. Children's Hospital and Duke Children's Hospital to meet Beyonce at her Greensboro, N.C., concert. RAC funds Music Therapist programs at both local hospitals. Also recently, 18-year-old Leo, a teenage cancer patient in Atlanta, spent the evening with Stevie Wonder on stage throughout his concert. (To see pictures of recent concerts and TV coverage of Leo and Stevie Wonder, go to www.rockagainstcancer.org.)

About Rock Against Cancer

Founded in 2000 in Chapel Hill, NC, Rock Against Cancer is a national non-profit organization using Music Therapy and innovative music programs while working with well-known entertainers from the music industry to empower and support the emotional needs of young cancer patients. Rock Against Cancer's programs provide children and families respite from the long and painful cancer treatment process using music, while helping to garner public awareness and support for the youngest cancer survivors. RAC programs include Stars Night Out, Gifts from the Heart, and School of Rock. Lisa White, Ph.D., founded Rock Against Cancer after her son, Gabriel, was diagnosed with leukemia at the age of two and went through thirty-eight months of treatment before going into remission. For more information, visit www.rockagainstcancer.org.

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